

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 574

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Lenoir City, Tennessee, on the occasion of their city's centennial celebration.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to join with the cities and counties that comprise this great State in celebrating joyous and historic occasions; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Lenoir City are most assuredly deserving of special recognition, as they will soon commemorate their City's centennial; and

WHEREAS, Lenoir City is founded on lands provided by General William Lenoir, a native of Brunswick County, Virginia, who served as a Captain under Colonel Cleveland in the Battle of King's Mountain during the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, in a gesture of gratitude for his service during the Revolutionary War, the State of North Carolina awarded General Lenoir 5,000 acres along the northern bank of the Tennessee River; and

WHEREAS, in September of 1809, General Lenoir deeded the land to his eldest son, Major William Ballard Lenoir, who named the land Lenoir's Station; by 1821, a farmstead had been cleared and Major Lenoir and his family had built and moved into a brick home; and

WHEREAS, Lenoir City arose out of the efforts of several prominent businessmen in Knoxville and New York City; beginning in 1890, with the formation of the Lenoir City Company, the land was surveyed, lots and streets were designed, and the first homes were built; and

WHEREAS, in 1907, Lenoir City was officially incorporated by the General Assembly; the occasion was heralded by the City's inaugural mayor, F. A. Weiss, Lenoir City's first millionaire; and

WHEREAS, this year, Lenoir City will celebrate and mark the 100th Anniversary of its incorporation; and

WHEREAS, Lenoir City is one of the great municipalities in Tennessee and it is most appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor this fine municipality and its citizenry as they commemorate this significant milestone in their historic existence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the citizens of Lenoir City upon the celebration of their centennial and extend to them our best wishes for continued success, growth, and prosperity in their outstanding community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.